

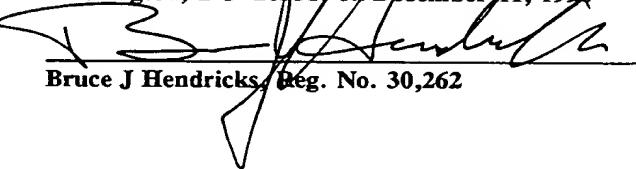


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Application of:)
Thomas Joseph Segatta et al)
For: TIRE WITH APEX RUBBER)
BLEND)
Serial No. 08/353,942)
Filed: December 12, 1994)

Docket No. 91221B
Art Unit: 1301
Examiner: Adrienne C Johnstone

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated November 22, 1996, of the Examiner finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 4-6, 8-14.

The items checked below are appropriate:

1. A Petition for Extension of Time of one month to respond to the final rejection is mailed herewith.
2. The claims in the above-identified patent application are under a final rejection and this Notice of Appeal is being filed in accordance with 37 CFR §1.191 (a).

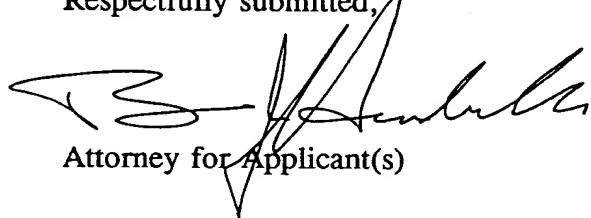
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4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to account No. 07-1725.

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